products originating from the countries where mad cow disease is prevalent, it has been made mandatory for the exporting countries to give a health certificate certifying that the "products have originated only from healthy animals, free from Bovine Spongi-form Encephalopathy (BSE)".

News report regarding C.B.S.E.

2689. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report in the Indian Express dated August 1, 1996 about the C.B.S.E. giving an assignment of valuing question papers in the subject of Hindi of the 10th class Board examination to an examiner whose subject of teaching was different;

(b) if so, the reason due to which such a thing happened which would be unfair to the candidates who answered to the Hindi paper; and

(c) the steps being taken to prevent the recurrence of such mistakes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) As per information received from the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), the answer scripts of class X students evaluated at the Kendriya Vidyalaya, S.P. Marg, New Delhi, in the subject of Hindi in the Examination conducted by the Board in 1996 were evaluated by the teachers qualified in Hindi as reported by the Principal of the concerned school.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Detailed instructions regarding proper evaluation of the answer scripts have already been laid down in the Examination Bye-laws of the Board.

Adequate supply of Urea for 1996-97 Kharif and Rabi seasons

2690. DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS and FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the States have been assured of adequate urea supplies for the 1996-97 kharif and rabi seasons;

(b) if so, whether Government's first priority was to ensure that the fertilizer requirements of the farmers were met and there was no shortage;

(c) whether the Union Government have despatched 52 per cent of the urea that was targeted for the current financial year;

(d) if so, what is the State-wise position of urea supplied so far; and

(e) what is the quantity of urea supplied during 1995-96?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SHEES RAM OLA): (a) to (c) Yes Sir, by 10.8.96, the availability of urea in States was 71% of the total ECA allocation for Kharif '96. The despatches during the season have been 53.82 Lakh Metric Tonnes till 10.8.96. These constitute 52.5% of the ECA allocation. There has been no reports of shortages of urea from any of the States.

The availability of Potassic and Phosphatic fertilisers which have been decontrolled since August '92, is reported to be comfortable.

(d) State-wise availability of Urea till 10.8.96 is given in the Statement (see below).

(e) During 1995-96, the season-wise ECA allocation and availability of urea was as under:—

(In lakh tonnes)

ECA allocation	Availability
Kharif '95 96.61	97.27
Rabi '95-96 108.42	112.99

Statement

(Figures in 000 MTS)
Urea

S. No.	States	Availability Kharif 1996 (upto 10.8.96)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	734.02
2.	Karnataka	406.28
3.	Kerala	56.—
4.	Tamil Nadu	248.21
5.	Gujarat	400.83
6.	Madhya Pradesh	438.26
7.	Maharashtra	738.41
8.	Rajasthan	340.76
9.	Goa	1.90
10.	Haryana	432.56
11.	Himachal Pradesh	19.84
12.	Jammu & Kashmir	35.38
13.	Punjab	757.75
14.	Uttar Pradesh	1666.20
15.	Delhi	5.63
16.	Bihar	502.54
17.	Orissa	183.31
18.	West Bengal	341.58
19.	Assam	28.38
20.	Manipur	14.91
21.	Meghalaya	0.86
22.	Nagaland	0.70
23.	Sikkim	0.40
24.	Tripura	5.96
25.	Arunachal Pradesh	0.02
26.	Mizoram	0.12
27.	Others	31.49
	Total:	7392.52

मध्य प्रदेश में मारे गए हाथी

2691. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव:** क्या पर्यावरण और वन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) केन्द्रीय प्रायोजित हाथी परियोजना के अन्तर्गत मध्य प्रदेश में वर्ष 1993-94 से 1995-96 के दौरान प्रतिवर्ष कुल कितने जंगली हाथियों को पकड़ा गया;

(ख) पकड़े जाने के दौरान अथवा पकड़े गए कितने हाथी मारे गए एवं कितने हाथी विभिन्न अन्य कारणों से मर गए;

(ग) इन हाथियों के मर जाने अथवा मारे जाने के लिए किन-किन व्यक्तियों को दोषी पाया गया और उनके विरुद्ध क्या-क्या कार्यवाही की गइ है; और

(घ) इन मारे गए अथवा मर गए हाथियों से कितनी मात्रा में हाथी दांत की प्राप्ति हुई है और उसका किस ढंग से उपयोग किया गया है?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (कैप्टन जय नारायण प्रसाद निषाद): (क) केन्द्रीय प्रायोजित हाथी परियोजना के तहत मध्य प्रदेश में पकड़े गए जंगली हाथियों की संख्या इस प्रकार है:—

वर्ष	पकड़े गए हाथियों की संख्या
1993-94	10
1994-95	शून्य
1995-96	शून्य

(ख) राज्य वन विभाग द्वारा पकड़े गए 13 हाथियों जिनमें हाथी परियोजना के तहत 10 हाथी भी शामिल है, में से तीन बन्दीस्थिति में मरे। इसके अलावा पकड़ते हुए एक मादा मर गई थी।

(ग) ऊपर (ख) में बताए गए हाथियों की मृत्यु के बारे में किसी को जिम्मेवार नहीं ठहराया गया। अतः किसी व्यक्ति के विरुद्ध कार्यवाही करने का प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

(घ) प्राप्त रिपोर्टों के अनुसार पकड़ा गया 22.550 कि.ग्रा. हाथी दांत मध्य प्रदेश राज्य वन विभाग की अभिरक्षा में रखा गया है।